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**DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY  
U.S. Customs and Border Protection**

**Accreditation and Approval of Certispec Services USA, Inc. (Texas City, TX) as a  
Commercial Gauger and Laboratory**

**AGENCY:** U.S. Customs and Border Protection, Department of Homeland Security.

**ACTION:** Notice of accreditation and approval of Certispec Services USA, Inc. (Texas City, TX), as a commercial gauger and laboratory.

**SUMMARY:** Notice is hereby given, pursuant to CBP regulations, that Certispec Services USA, Inc. (Texas City, TX), has been approved to gauge petroleum and certain petroleum products and accredited to test petroleum and certain petroleum products for customs purposes for the next three years as of April 3, 2017.

**DATES:** Certispec Services USA, Inc. (Texas City, TX) was approved and accredited as a commercial gauger and laboratory as of April 3, 2017. The next triennial inspection date will be scheduled for April 2020.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Dr. Justin Shey, Laboratories and Scientific Services, U.S. Customs and Border Protection, 1300 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW, Suite 1500N, Washington, DC 20229, tel. 202-344-1060.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Notice is hereby given pursuant to 19 CFR 151.12 and 19 CFR 151.13, that Certispec Services USA, Inc., 1448 Texas Ave, Texas City, TX 77590, has been approved to gauge petroleum and certain petroleum products and accredited to test petroleum and certain petroleum products for customs purposes, in accordance with the provisions of 19 CFR 151.12 and 19 CFR 151.13.

Certispec Services USA, Inc. (Texas City, TX) is approved for the following gauging procedures for petroleum and certain petroleum products from the American Petroleum Institute (API):

API Chapters	Title
3	Tank Gauging
8	Sampling

Certispec Services USA, Inc. (Texas City, TX) is accredited for the following laboratory analysis procedures and methods for petroleum and certain petroleum products set forth by the U.S. Customs and Border Protection Laboratory Methods (CBPL) and American Society for Testing and Materials (ASTM):

CBPL No.	ASTM	Title
27-01	D 287	Standard Test Method for API Gravity of Crude Petroleum and Petroleum Products (Hydrometer Method)
27-03	D 4006	Standard Test Method for Water in Crude Oil by Distillation
27-04	D 95	Standard Test Method for Water in Petroleum Products and Bituminous Materials by Distillation
27-05	D 4928	Standard Test Method for Water in Crude Oils by Coulometric Karl Fischer Titration
27-06	D 473	Standard Test Method for Sediment in Crude Oils and Fuel Oils by the Extraction Method
27-08	D 86	Standard Test Method for Distillation of Petroleum Products at Atmospheric Pressure
27-11	D 445	Standard Test Method for Kinematic Viscosity of Transparent and Opaque Liquids (and Calculation of Dynamic Viscosity)
27-13	D 4294	Standard Test Method for Sulfur in Petroleum and Petroleum Products by Energy-Dispersive X-ray Fluorescence Spectrometry
27-48	D 4052	Standard Test Method for Density and Relative Density of Liquids by Digital Density Meter
27-50	D 93	Standard Test Methods for Flash-Point by Pensky-Martens Closed Cup Tester
27-57	D 7039	Standard Test Method for Sulfur in Gasoline and Diesel Fuel by Monochromatic Wavelength Dispersive X-Ray Fluorescence Spectrometry

Anyone wishing to employ this entity to conduct laboratory analyses and gauger services should request and receive written assurances from the entity that it is accredited or approved by the U.S. Customs and Border Protection to conduct the specific test or gauger service requested. Alternatively, inquiries regarding the specific test or gauger service this entity is accredited or approved to perform may be directed to the U.S. Customs and Border Protection by calling (202) 344-1060. The inquiry may also be sent to CBPGaugersLabs@cbp.dhs.gov. Please reference the website listed below for a complete listing of CBP approved gaugers and accredited laboratories.

<http://www.cbp.gov/about/labs-scientific/commercial-gaugers-and-laboratories>

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